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FIRE PREVENTION ORDER ORDER NUMBER 12-02

Under authority of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976 (Title 43, United States Code, Section 1701, et. seq.) pursuant to Title 43, Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), Section 9212.2(a), the following acts are prohibited on all Bureau of Land Management (BLM) public lands within the Colorado counties of Delta, Montrose, Ouray, and San Miguel.

Under Title 43 CFR Section 9212.1, Prohibited Acts: Unless permitted in writing by the Authorized Officer, it is prohibited to perform any act restricted by this Fire Prevention Order on the above described public lands.

Prohibited Actions:

- Building, maintaining, attending, or using a fire or campfire, except within a permanent constructed fire grate in a developed campground or recreation site.
- **Smoking**, except within an enclosed vehicle, building, or developed recreation site or while stopped in an area of at least three feet in diameter that is barren or cleared of all flammable materials.
- Operating or using an off-highway vehicle or chainsaw without a properly installed and maintained spark-arresting device in effective working order.

Permitted Actions:

- Building, maintaining, and attending a fire in a manufactured, permanent fire grate or grill within a developed campground or recreation site.
- Operating a cooking stove or other appliance fueled by liquid petroleum or bottled fuel equipped with a valve that allows the operator to turn the flame on and off.

Pursuant to Title 43 CFR Section 9212.2, the following persons are exempt from this order:

- Any federal, state, or local officer or member of an organized rescue or firefighting force in the performance of an official duty.
- Persons with a BLM-issued permit specifically authorizing an otherwise prohibited act.

An exemption does not absolve an individual or organization from liability or responsibility for any fire started by the exempted activity.

Title 43 CFR § 9212.4 Penalties

Any person who knowingly and willfully violates the regulations at § 9212.1 of this title shall, upon conviction, be subject to a fine of not more than \$1,000 or to imprisonment of not more than twelve months, or both. Restitution for total suppression or damage costs incurred will be borne by the violator.

This order shall be in effect beginning at 12:01 a.m. on June 7, 2012 and will remain in force until rescinded.

Prepared in Montrose, Colorado on this 4th day of June 2012.

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